MR. C. P. KOCHUKUNJU PILLAI (*Kottarakara* cum *Kunnattur*) : Are the Government aware that the students in that particular school suffer much on account of the paucity of chalk and want proper sweeping, etc.?

DEPUTY PRESIDENT : Which is the particular school you mention?

MR. C. P. KOCHUKUNJU PILLAI (*Kottarakara* cum *Kunnattur*) : The Kottarakara Primary School.

MR. K. GEORGE (*Chief Secretary to Government*) : The Government do not know that they suffer.

MR. C. P. KOCHUKUNJU PILLAI (*Kottarakara* cum *Kunnattur*) : Will the Government enquire?

MR. K. GEORGE (*Chief Secretary to Government*) : That is a matter in which the initiative must be taken by the head of the department.

DEPUTY PRESIDENT : Mr. Kochukunju Pillai, it is better you make a representation to the Director first.

MR. C. P. KOCHUKUNJU PILLAI (*Kottarakara* cum *Kunnattur*) : Will the Government inquire of the Director whether he has received a report from the Headmaster or the Inspector?

MR. K. GEORGE (*Chief Secretary to Government*) : If the Director feels the necessity, he will report it to the Government.

MR. C. P. KOCHUKUNJU PILLAI (*Kottarakara* cum *Kunnattur*) : May I ask whether the Government will inquire of the Director whether he has received a report with regard to small items of contingent expenditure from the Headmaster or the Inspector?

MR. K. GEORGE (*Chief Secretary to Government*) : The Government do not consider it of sufficient importance to take the initiative in the matter.

Filling up the Place of the Traffic Inspector.

62. **MR. S. PIRAVIPERUMAL PILLAI** (*Commerce and Industry, South*) : Will the Government be pleased to state :

(*a*) whether the place of the Traffic Inspector recently sanctioned has been filled up ;

(*b*) if not, why ;

(*c*) whether there are applications from qualified men for this post ;

(*d*) whether they will appoint, at a very early date, a qualified mechanical engineer who has practical experience in Motor Engineering and who has worked in motor workshops so that further accidents causing death on account of structural defects of motor vehicles may be minimised?

MR. K. GEORGE (*Chief Secretary to Government*) : (*a*), (*b*) and (*d*) The Police Commissioner's proposals for filling up the place are under consideration.

(*c*) The answer is in the affirmative.

Grant-in-aid to Unani Vaidyasalas.

63. **MR. P. HABEEB MAHOMED** (*Nominated*) : Will the Government be pleased to state :

(*a*) whether they have received any applications for grant-in-aid to *Unani Vaidyasalas* ;

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(*b*) if so, how many such applications have been received by them; and

(*c*) the action taken upon them?

MR. K. GEORGE (*Chief Secretary to Government*): (*a*) and (*b*) Two applications, dated the 14th September 1925 and the 15th Chingam 1102, respectively, were received from Mr. Syed Abdulla Sahib, *Unani Vaidyan*, Cantonment, Trivandrum, for the award of grant-in-aid.

(*c*) His first application was rejected. His second application is being considered by the Government.

Reduction of Tolls.

64. **MR. K. K. THOMAS** (*Kottayam*): With regard to my motion for the reduction of tolls, printed at pages 197 to 216 of Vol. IX of the Council Proceedings, will the Government be pleased to state:

(*a*) the action taken by them in the matter;

(*b*) if no action has been taken, whether they propose to act in conformity with the spirit of the resolution; and

(*c*) if the answer to part (*b*) is in the affirmative, from which year they propose to do so?

MR. T. P. RAMASUBBA AIYAR (*Secretary to Government*): (*a*), (*b*) and (*c*) The question was considered by the Government and it was decided to take it up at the time the auctioning of the toll contracts for 1103 comes up for consideration.

MR. K. K. THOMAS (*Kottayam*): May I know in what month this matter of auctioning the tolls will be considered?

MR. T. P. RAMASUBBA AIYAR (*Secretary to Government*): A few months before the end of the year.

MR. K. K. THOMAS (*Kottayam*): May I know the exact date when this matter will be considered?

MR. T. P. RAMASUBBA AIYAR (*Secretary to Government*): The details are to be looked into by the Chief Engineer who will publish the necessary notification. The matter will come up to the Government before that.

MR. K. K. THOMAS (*Kottayam*): May I know if the Government recognise it as a constitutional right of this House that the opinion of this House should be accepted and respected by the Government?

MR. T. P. RAMASUBBA AIYAR (*Secretary to Government*): The answer shows that the Government have decided to take the question up at the time of the next auction.

MR. K. K. THOMAS (*Kottayam*): The answer only shows that the matter is under consideration.

MR. T.P. RAMASUBBA AIYAR (*Secretary to Government*): The Chief Engineer will have instructions in the matter and the matter will come up for consideration by the Government in time before the tolls are auctioned for the next year.

MR. K. K. THOMAS (*Kottayam*): My question is whether it is a constitutional right that the opinions of this House should be respected.

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